



Early Journal Content on JSTOR, Free to Anyone in the World

This article is one of nearly 500,000 scholarly works digitized and made freely available to everyone in the world by JSTOR.

Known as the Early Journal Content, this set of works include research articles, news, letters, and other writings published in more than 200 of the oldest leading academic journals. The works date from the mid-seventeenth to the early twentieth centuries.

We encourage people to read and share the Early Journal Content openly and to tell others that this resource exists. People may post this content online or redistribute in any way for non-commercial purposes.

Read more about Early Journal Content at <http://about.jstor.org/participate-jstor/individuals/early-journal-content>.

JSTOR is a digital library of academic journals, books, and primary source objects. JSTOR helps people discover, use, and build upon a wide range of content through a powerful research and teaching platform, and preserves this content for future generations. JSTOR is part of ITHAKA, a not-for-profit organization that also includes Ithaka S+R and Portico. For more information about JSTOR, please contact support@jstor.org.

FOREIGN REPORTS.

BRAZIL.

Plague—Rio de Janeiro.

A case of plague was reported at Rio de Janeiro January 5, 1914.

INDIA.

Mortality—Plague—Plague Measures—Mosquito Work—Karachi.

During the period, April–June, 1914, 1,597 deaths were notified at Karachi, 424 of these being caused by plague (corresponding period for the preceding year, 1,345 total deaths with 219 deaths due to plague). The number of rats destroyed was 11,932 (same period for the preceding year, 23,892). The total number of inoculations against plague was 576 (for the same period of the preceding year, 3,154).

A mosquito brigade has been in operation throughout the city since April 1, 1914. The city is divided into 10 sections and each section is further subdivided into 10 beats. One beat of each section is examined daily to find the places where mosquitoes breed and take necessary action to exterminate them. Each section is in charge of a subinspector, and these subinspectors are directly under the control of the malaria inspector, who supervises the work and submits his daily report to the health officer. The whole city is in this way inspected within 10 days, i. e., three times a month. The number of places where larvæ of mosquitoes are found breeding averages about 30 a day, and such places as drains, masonry tanks, etc., are cleaned out with oil emulsion and larvæ destroyed.

Out of a total number of 394 wells existing in the city about 163 wells have been found contaminated with larvæ of mosquitoes. Action is being taken to provide these wells with proper wooden covers and trapdoors or pumps, so that when required the water can be drawn off the well through the trapdoor or by means of a pump. In many of the offices and business places fire buckets are kept, and mosquitoes are found breeding in such buckets in enormous number. Persons in charge are informed accordingly and advised to issue instructions to their men to empty these buckets at least once a week.

JAPAN.

Communicable Diseases.

Communicable diseases were notified in the Empire of Japan, exclusive of the island of Taiwan, for the month of October, 1914, as follows:

Diseases.	Cases.	Deaths.	Total from Jan. 1, 1914.	
			Cases.	Deaths.
Cholera.....	1	1	5	4
Diphtheria.....	1,807	393	13,808	3,472
Dysentery.....	3,666	954	22,904	4,858
Paratyphoid fever.....	776	124	5,880	647
Plague.....			82	69
Scarlet fever.....	99	3	1,029	60
Smallpox.....	25	4	450	102
Typhoid fever.....	4,581	910	29,628	5,310
Typhus fever.....	31	5	7,281	1,222

¹ Kyoto-fu.² Nagasaki-ken.

LIBYA (TRIPOLI).

Further Relative to Plague on Vessel—Tripoli.

Referring to the case of plague reported December 3, 1914, on the steamship *Misurata* in harbor at Tripoli (Public Health Reports, Dec. 11, 1914, p. 3341), it has been further stated that the *Misurata* arrived at Tripoli November 28, 1914, from the following-named ports in Libya: Tobruk, Derna, Marsa-Susa, Tolmetta, Bengasi, Syrte, Misurata, and Homs, with a case of plague on board. Infected rats have also been reported as found on the vessel. Plague is reported to have appeared at Derna and Marsa-Susa among native laborers.

MEXICO.

Smallpox—Ciudad Juarez.

Smallpox was reported present at Ciudad Juarez December 4, 1914.

Epidemic of Virulent Smallpox—Vera Cruz.

An epidemic of virulent smallpox was reported present at Vera Cruz, January 5, 1914. The disease was reported to be spreading rapidly. The infection was imported by the military.

VENEZUELA.

Yellow Fever—Caracas.

Two cases of yellow fever were reported at Caracas, December 31, 1914.

ZANZIBAR.

Plague—Plague-Infected Rats—Zanzibar.

During the week ended October 31, 1914, 2 cases of plague and 3 deaths from the disease were notified at Zanzibar.

During the three weeks ended November 7, 1914, 2,652 rats were examined at Zanzibar. Of this number, 29 were found plague infected.

CHOLERA, YELLOW FEVER, PLAGUE, AND SMALLPOX.**Reports Received During Week Ended Jan. 8, 1915.¹****CHOLERA.**

Places.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Austria-Hungary:				
Crown lands.....				Total, Oct. 18-Nov. 21: Cases,
Lower Austria—				2,705; deaths, 754.
Vienna.....	Oct. 18-Nov. 21...	285	31	
Hungary.....				Total, Oct. 18-Nov. 14: Cases,
India:				1,558.
Calcutta.....	Nov. 8-14.....		7	
Madras.....	Nov. 8-21.....	114	79	
Indo-China:				
Saigon.....				And vicinity—Nov. 3-16: Cases,
Japan.....				4; deaths, 3.
Kyoto fu.....	Oct. 1-31.....	1	1	Total, Jan. 1-Oct. 4: Cases, 5;
Siam:				deaths, 4.
Bangkok.....	Sept. 27-Oct. 31...		5	

YELLOW FEVER.

Venezuela:				
Caracas.....	Dec. 31.....	2		

PLAGUE.

Brazil:				
Rio de Janeiro.....	Jan. 5.....	1		
Egypt:				Total Jan. 1-Nov. 28: Cases, 218;
Alexandria.....	Nov. 5-28.....	1	1	deaths, 110.
Port Said.....	Oct. 22.....	6	2	
India:				
Bassein.....	Jan. 4-Oct. 17.....	11	7	Not previously reported.
Bombay.....	Nov. 15-21.....	4	4	
Indo-China.....				Saigon and vicinity, Nov. 3-16:
Libya (Tripoli).....				Cases, 2.
Siam:				Present in Derna and Marsa-
Bangkok.....	Sept. 27-Oct. 31...		1	Susa, among native laborers.
Turkey in Asia:				
Bagdad.....	Nov. 17.....	1		
Zanzibar.....	Oct. 25-31.....	2	3	

SMALLPOX.

Brazil:				
Rio de Janeiro.....	Nov. 15-21.....	118	38	
Egypt:				
Alexandria.....	Nov. 19-Dec. 2....	17	2	
Greece:				
Patras.....	Dec. 1-6.....		5	Epidemic.
India:				
Bombay.....	Nov. 15-21.....	1		
Calcutta.....	Nov. 8-14.....		3	
Madras.....	Nov. 8-21.....	3	3	
Japan.....				Jan. 1-Oct. 31: Cases, 450; deaths,
Nagasaki ken.....	Oct. 1-31.....	25	4	102.
Mexico:				
Chihuahua.....	Dec. 15-21.....	6	2	
Veracruz.....	Jan. 5.....			Epidemic.
Portugal:				
Lisbon.....	Nov. 22-Dec. 5....	5		
Russia:				
Petrograd.....	Nov. 15-21.....	27	10	
Spain:				
Barcelona.....	Nov. 22-Dec. 4....		10	
Madrid.....	Nov. 1-30.....		4	
Switzerland:				
Basel.....	Nov. 7.....	5		

¹From medical officers of the Public Health Service, American consuls, and other sources.

CHOLERA, YELLOW FEVER, PLAGUE, AND SMALLPOX—Continued.**Reports Received from Dec. 26, 1914, to Jan. 1, 1915.¹****CHOLERA.**

Places.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Dutch East Indies:				
Celebes—				
Menado.....	Oct. 18-31.....	168	160	
Java—				
Batavia.....	Oct. 25-Nov. 7....	220	220	
Sumatra—				
Mengala.....	Oct. 18-24.....	60	47	
Palembang.....	.....do.....	62	49	
India:				
Bombay.....	Nov. 1-7.....	5	1	Not previously reported.
Calcutta.....	Oct. 25-31.....	.....	4	
Do.....	Nov. 1-7.....	.....	10	
Rangoon.....	Sept. 1-30.....	1	1	
Philippine Islands:				
Manila.....	Oct. 25-Nov. 14...	9	3	
Straits Settlements:				
Singapore.....	Oct. 4-10.....	1	1	

PLAGUE.

Brazil:				
Bahia.....	Nov. 16-Dec. 5....	8	6	
Ceylon:				
Colombo.....	Oct. 25-Nov. 22...	12	13	
India:				
Bombay.....	Nov. 1-14.....	3	1	
Karachi.....	Nov. 8-14.....	1	1	
Rangoon.....	Sept. 1-30.....	72	66	
Persia:				
Azerbaijan—				
Belessavar.....	Oct. 31.....	.....	.....	Present.
Turkey in Asia:				
Bagdad.....	Nov. 1-2.....	1	1	

SMALLPOX.

Arabia:				
Aden.....	Nov. 5-13.....	1	3	
Australia:				
New South Wales—				
Sydney.....	.....	.....	.....	Total Nov. 13-19: Cases, 7 in the metropolitan area and 2 in the country districts.
Brazil:				
Rio de Janeiro.....	Nov. 1-14.....	215	71	
Canada:				
Ontario—				
Sarnia.....	Dec. 13-19.....	1	.....
Toronto.....	Dec. 6-19.....	3	.....
Quebec—				
Quebec.....	Dec. 13-19.....	2	.....
Ceylon:				
Colombo.....	Oct. 25-Nov. 7....	21	3	
China:				
Shanghai.....	Nov. 5-15.....	1	8	Deaths among natives.
Dutch East Indies:				
Borneo.....	.....	.....	.....	Oct. 18-24: Cases, 112; deaths, 44, mainly in Pontianak.
Java.....	.....	.....	.....	In the western part, including Batavia, Oct. 18-24: Cases, 807; deaths, 119.
Batavia.....	Oct. 18-24.....	30	10	
France:				
Paris.....	Nov. 15-21.....	2	2	
Great Britain:				
Cardiff.....	Nov. 30-Dec. 5....	5	.....
Greece:				
Patras.....	Nov. 23-29.....	.....	3	
Saloniki.....	Nov. 15-21.....	12	6	

¹ For reports received from June 27, 1914, to Dec. 25, 1914, see PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS for Dec. 25, 1914. In accordance with custom, the tables of epidemic diseases are terminated semiannually and new tables begun.

CHOLERA, YELLOW FEVER, PLAGUE, AND SMALLPOX—Continued.**Reports Received from Dec. 26, 1914, to Jan. 1, 1915—Continued.****SMALLPOX—Continued.**

Places.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
India:				
Bombay.....	Nov. 1-14.....	8	4	
Calcutta.....	Oct. 25-Nov. 7....	9		
Madras.....	Nov. 1-7.....	1		
Japan:				
Taiwan.....	Oct. 25-Nov. 7....	7		
Mexico:				
Aguascalientes.....	Dec. 7-13.....		2	Prevalent.
Juarez.....	Dec. 4.....			
Vera Cruz.....	Dec. 1-13.....		2	
Norway:				
Christiansand.....	Nov. 1-30.....	7	2	Including report, vol. 29.
Stavanger.....	Nov. 30-Dec. 5....	1		
Russia:				
Petrograd.....	Oct. 25-Nov. 8....	66	16	
Spain:				
Valencia.....	Nov. 15-28.....	44	4	
Straits Settlements:				
Singapore.....	Oct. 10-17.....	2	1	
Turkey in Asia:				
Beirut.....	Nov. 1-21.....	14	6	
Haifa.....	Nov. 2-8.....	2	1	